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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Troy Wilford Confirmation No.: 1273

Application No.: 09/839,562 Group Art Unit: 3743

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For: FIXATION DEVICE AND METHOD Attorney Docket No.: 8932-268-999

FOR SECURING A GRAFT TO BONE (232200-999058)

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for entry during the examination of the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.